GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:327
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2005
INVOLVEMENT OF PAK MINISTER IN TERRORIST ACTIVITIES
Singh Shri Lakshman

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hurriyat President had accused a Pakistani Minister of visiting terrorist camps in Pakistan occupied Kashmir and his involvement in terrorist related activities against India;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether Hurriyat chief had announced about continuation of violence after returning from Pakistan; and

(d) if so, the strategy proposed to be adopted by the Government to check such violence?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (d): A Statement is annexed.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 327 FOR ANSWER ON 26.7.2005.

(a) & (b): Mirwaiz Umar Farooq, Chairman, All Party Hurriyat Conference (APHC) led the delegation to PoK/Pakistan. He did not accuse any Pak Minister of visiting terrorist camps in Pakistan occupied Kashmir and his involvement in terrorist related activities against India. However, Yasin Malik, leader of Jammu Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF) alleged that Sheikh Rashid, Pak Federal Minister for Information, had assisted Kashmiri militants.

(c): No Sir, the Government is not aware of any such announcement.

(d): The Government, jointly with the State Government, has adopted a multi-pronged approach to contain cross-border terrorism particularly in Jammu & Kashmir, which includes, inter-alia, strengthening border management and multi-tiered and multi modal deployment along International Border/LOC and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction of border fencing, improved technology, weapons and equipments for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergising intelligence flow to check infiltration, pro-active action against the terrorists within the State etc. The counter-infiltration efforts are reviewed periodically at various levels in the State Government (including the two Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir) and in the Central Government.